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Re: Sherman Reservoir
Motorboat Access Development Project
Sherman County, NE
Project No. F-145-B-1

Dear Mr. Satra

Please make reference to your letter dated 8 March 2005 requesting a threatened and endangered species review on a site in Sherman County, Nebraska. As we understand it, the Sherman Reservoir motorboat access development project will consist of the construction of two windbreak jetties, improvements to the existing boat ramp and select lake deepening in the vicinity of the existing boat ramp. We have completed our review of the proposed site under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 37-807 (3) of the Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act and we offer the following comments.

We did not find any records of state listed threatened or endangered species on, or in the immediate vicinity of, the site of the above proposed project. Further, we have determined that the project will not impact suitable habitat for such species based on a review of the material you sent, aerial photographs, and the Nebraska Natural Heritage Database. Therefore, it is our determination that the proposed project will have "No Effect" on any state listed threatened or endangered species.

All federally listed threatened and endangered species are also state listed. However, for assessment of potential impacts on federally listed, candidate or proposed threatened or endangered species, please contact Steve Anschutz, Nebraska Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 203 W. Second St., Grand Island, NE 68801.

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Based upon the submitted information, we have no objection to the proposal as currently planned. However, should the plans be modified, we recommend that you reinitiate consultation with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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